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Republican Platform to Have Mellon Plank

President Coolidge to Make Tax Reform the Issue

Washington, June 6.—President Coolidge will make further tax reform one of the big issues of the coming campaign. He is not satisfied with the present temporary tax relief adjustment, but will renew the fight for the enactment of a "sound permanent tax policy."

President Coolidge in his campaign will advocate:

First—Insertion of a Mellon tax plank in the Republican platform.

Second—A vigorous campaign for the popular endorsement of this stand.

Third—A "big stick" attitude toward the December session of Congress, if he is elected on this platform in November.

American Ambassador to Mexico to Be Chairman

Washington, June 6.—Republican leaders here have virtually agreed upon Charles B. Warren, ambassador to Mexico, for the important post of chairman of the resolutions committee of the Cleveland convention. Warren is expected here today, and will confer with President Coolidge before going to Chile.

Enormous Loss To This State

Sacramento, June 6.—According to statements made by federal authorities, 93,000 animals have been slaughtered in the state on account of the hoof and mouth epidemic. Of this number Contra Costa county was hit hard, 10,294 animals being slain. The value of stock killed in Contra Costa county on account of the plague is estimated at $447,677. Los Angeles county's losses head the list, 18,150 animals being killed, valued $1,400,000.

Gas Extension

The Pacific Gas and electric company is preparing to extend 1137 feet of two-inch high pressure main in Kern street and Shasta avenue to serve Messrs. O. H. Dobbs, L. Delabriandias and C. R. Christopher.

In speaking of this extension, J. C. Hitchcock, local agent of the company, states: "We are experiencing an unusual demand for gas throughout the company's entire system. The gas generated for the year to date increased 837,291,600 cubic feet, or 15.28 per cent."

Automobile Registration Grows and Grows

Sacramento, June 6.—The grand total of registration for California during 1924 up to March 28, and inclusive of automobiles and trucks, motorcycles and trailers, is 2,165,258. Of this number 987,776 are passenger cars. Registration collections amounted to nearly six millions, which is divided between the state and counties for road maintenance.

Pittsburg has raised $215 for the Sunshine camp for the undernourished children, and there is more money to come.

President Will Not Choose Vice-Pres. Candidate

Washington, June 6.—President Coolidge will follow the precedent set by the late President Roosevelt, who declined to suggest the name of a candidate for vice-president, shifting that responsibility to the delegates. Coolidge prefers that the delegates make the choice themselves, he not wishing to dictate.

Gier Sells Mt. Diablo Vineyard Land

Martinez, June 5.—Theodore Gier of Oakland and C. G. Eberhart have sold 380 acres of the Mt. Diablo vineyard for $15,000, according to deeds filed Monday by the county recorder.

Cherry Carnival Now On at San Leandro

San Leandro, June 6.—The Fifteenth annual cherry carnival is now in full blast here, and is being featured by free distribution of cherries to visitors. For advertising purposes the cherries are doing effective work, tourists going into ecstacies over the delicious varieties which are raised here. The booths at the city plaza are elaborately decorated, pretty girls distributing the fruit.

Congress Adjourns Tomorrow, June 7

Washington, June 6.—Congress will adjourn June 7, at 8 p. m. This was agreed upon by the senate Tuesday when that body passed the house adjournment resolution by a vote of 53 to 36.

Six Bells in Spotlight Again

The resort "Six Bells," noted in history for gun plays and various orgies, is about to be closed for one year by District Attorney A. B. Tinning, who has the goods on the El Cerrito owner of the place, Joseph Chesbotarewich.

Charles E. Dodge, field secretary of the Gideons of California, delivered an address at the First Christian church Wednesday night on the work of the Gideons. Mr. and Mrs. Woten sang.

LOST OPPORTUNITY

"How is business?" asked the kind lady as she brought out an old carving knife to be tuned up.

"Very poor, mum," replied the scissors grinder.

"Then why don't you go into some other line?"

"I don't know nothing else," stated the man, humbly.

"Nonsense. That bell of yours would be worth good money in any orchestra."

EVERYBODY NERVOUS

Minx—They say that a man is always nervous when he proposes.

Jinx (cynically)—Yes, and the girl is always nervous when he doesn't!

The Wise Guy

Tough—Yes, he assaulted me. I told him if he got fresh I'd sure blow his brains out.

Gype—Huh. Why didn't yeh?

Tough—Well, don't ye see. I discovered he didn't have any.

Martinez has started work on the community building in that place.

Bankers at Yosemite Discuss German "Finances"

G. T. Douglas, vice-president of the Mercantile Trust company of California, was in attendance at the convention of the California Bankers' Association at Yosemite this week.

The principal address of this convention was delivered by H. M. Robinson, president of the First National bank, and the Pacific-Southwest Trust and Savings banks of Los Angeles, and one of the three American representatives on two committees of experts appointed to serve with the reparations commission to present a solution of the German reparations question.

Wilson Speaks at Crockett

H. B. Wilson, superintendent of Berkeley schools, delivered the address at the graduation exercises of the John Swett school last Thursday evening, when 23 students graduated.

Robert E. Easley of Antioch Announces Candidacy

Robert E. Easley of Antioch has formally announced his candidacy for the state assembly, and he called on a number of his acquaintances in Richmond Monday. Mr. Easley is a business man, and one whom all agree will make an ideal representative for Contra Costa county. The people are beginning to awaken to the fact that we send too many lawyers to our legislative bodies, and that it would be opportune at this time to remedy the "evil" by electing a few hard-headed business men and eliminate the excess politics and substituting more business.

Robert Easley comes highly recommended, and if elected will fill the position to the entire satisfaction of the whole county, not a geographical portion of it.

Swamp May Be Home of Weird Creatures

From time to time explorers in various parts of the world discover relics of one or other of the great monsters who once roamed over the surface of this planet—monsters to which an ordinary man would have appeared an appetizer rather than a meal, says London Answers.

These former lords of the earth have long since vanished, but from time to time writers have played with the idea that some of their descendants may yet survive in remote and inaccessible regions, such as certain parts of the South American continent, which still defy the explorer and the mapmaker.

One such region is a vast swamp, as large as Wales, which lies in the south of Bolivia. This great swamp is known to harbor water pythons of colossal size, some of them said to be as much as eighty feet in length; and still more mysterious and dreadful creatures may well lurk in its pestilential fastnesses.

As a matter of fact, mysterious footprints, apparently those of a huge, lizard-like animal, of a species quite unknown to modern zoologists, have been discovered on the edges of the swamp.

Some day, perhaps, the airplane or airship may enable the mystery of these tracks to be solved. If so, and if trapping and transport difficulties can be overcome, we may yet see a survivor of the "monsters of the prime" in the London Zoological gardens.

Teacher—In what battle did Gen. Wolfe, when hearing of victory, cry, "I die happy"?

Willie—I think it was his last battle.

Contra Costa County Is Always in the Lead

One of the best displays of California products on exhibition at the California Development association's headquarters at the Ferry building, San Francisco, is that of Contra Costa.

Monday Contra Costa County's board of supervisors instructed J. H. Wells, county clerk, to express the appreciation of the board for the interest E. B. Anderson has taken and the work done in signing and preparing the exhibits of the county's products for the state development board. The exhibit is a credit to the enterprise and interest that is being taken in advertising the resources of the best county in California.

American Plan Candidate Defeated by Union Man

San Jose, June 5.—William J. Bigger, San Jose union carpenter, who defeated the "American plan" advocate, M. E. Aurich, for the high seat in the city council, took his seat Monday night. Aurich was up for re-election, and made his campaign on the American plan, a "test case" to decide which side held supremacy in San Jose, union or anti-union labor.

Organized labor throughout Central California is jubilant over the decided victory, as San Jose had been held as the center stronghold for the non-unionists.

Contra Costa County

The board of supervisors Monday granted two of the county officials permits to leave the state. Migosh, have they been bootlegging?

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Pittsburg has a tailor bootlegger who is up for the second "catching." He is under $1000 bonds, in default of which he was sent to jail.

Needs More Space for Housing of Insects

Dr. C. J. Gahan, of the Natural History museum in London, is faced with a grave housing problem because he has not enough room in his department for all the insects which people keep sending him, the Detroit News states. There are more than 3,000,000,000 insects accommodated in his department, and now he has been placed in a quandary because he cannot find accommodation for an additional batch of 17,000 beetles which has been sent him.

To people who doubt that there are so many beetles in existence Doctor Gahan points out that there are roughly 200,000 species, of which the museum has on an average ten specimens of each. "Some of the beetles are 150 years old—or 150 dead," says Doctor Gahan. "They appear to be as good as ever and look as if they will last for another 150 years, although we use no preservative."

New-Old Beverage

Cassina, a new beverage to this generation of Americans, is made from a plant that grows abundantly along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the United States from the James river to the Rio Grande. Years ago the leaves of this plant were cured in a crude way by Indians, who produced a beverage which they used as a stimulating drink much as we use tea and coffee. In South America a similar beverage, called yerba mate, is common. Argentina alone consumes more than 140,000,000 pounds of the leaves a year, or about 20 pounds per capita.

Gas Tank Is Dropped Into Place by 100 Office Girls

San Jose, June 5.—One hundred girls, employes of the local office of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co., turned the 100 big jack screws that lowered the 200-ton bottom of the huge new 6,000,000 cubic feet gas tank for this city at 1 o'clock Wednesday in unique exercises which were filmed by three new reel companies, including classes of local high and grammar schools, and the head officials of the company from San Francisco.

The huge tank when completed will stand 177 feet high, with a capacity of 6,298,500 cubic feet of gas, with four lifts telescoping into each other. The big bottom, pancake form, rests on a 179-foot concrete foundation, containing 10,000 feet of concrete.

RANDOM COMMENT

Old Si offers a suggestion: "Inaugurate a tax by referendum to buy up the water frontage and land adapted to manufacturing, the city then to lease the land for factory sites under conditions that if the manufacturer stays with the job a certain number of years, shows good faith and makes good, the land is to be given to him gratis. Other cities secure factories by furnishing the sites free. As long as the owners of property ask exorbitant prices for swamp land, prospective plants will locate elsewhere."

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Rev. Frank Woten took for his sermon theme last Sunday at the First Christian church, "Should the Bible be Put in the Schools?" Since the recent deplorable affair in Chicago, said to have been caused by "excessive educational voltage," we believe Rev. Woten is sound in advocating the introduction of a good substitute for many of the so-called books of learning used in the higher educational institutions. Bible students do not, as a rule, cultivate the slaughter habit.

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Richmond, it seems, has a pretty good fire department after all. In fact, the firemen have permitted about everything to start recently but fires, and that should at least prove their efficiency and an assurance that the property is protected.

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When the inner harbor is dredged for seagoing vessels to land at 10th and 6th streets, there will be something doing in South Richmond. Macdonald avenue frontage will be cheap compared with values down there on the tule land.

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Richmond's municipal swimming tank will be, according to specifications, the best on the east side of the bay. It is going to help Cutting boulevard, as a great deal of the traffic will use that thoroughfare.

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With the new chief and the reorganization of the fire department Richmond should run along on an even keel—until the political pot begins to boil over

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Councilman Bill Lane has found a few holes in the zoning ordinance. Berkeley has found many, and Albany is giving it plenty of time to cool off.

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Now that Point Richmond is to have the swimming palace, why not give her the automobile camping privileges near the bathhouse? When Proctor & Gamble build the soap works on the site not afar off, everything will be handy.

Water Famine Not Good Advertisement

Heavy Timber Toll Taken by Fires in State

San Francisco, June 5.—The toll taken by fires the past week in the state has been enormous, running into millions. Siskiyou, Butte and Placer counties were the heavy losers. Fires in the Santa Cruz mountains, where miles of timber were destroyed, have been extinguished. The fires are attributed to carelessness of campers, who throw lighted stubs promiscuously from automobiles, which are soon fanned by the wind into a blaze, often starting a million dollar timber fire.

Albany Inv. Co. Awarded Orinda School Contract

The Albany Building and Investment company was the low bidder on the construction of the new Orinda school building when bids were opened in Richmond Monday in the office of James T. Narbett, architect for the school.

The low bid was $19,950. Other bids ranged up to $26,000. James T. Narbett, the Miner company and Wallace Snelgrove were Richmond bidders.

Holy Ghost Celebration to Be Staged June 7, 8, 9

The Portuguese of San Pablo are to entertain with a celebration in honor of the Holy Ghost June 7, 8 and 9. Saturday evening there will be a dance in Maple hall. Sunday morning there will be a parade at 10 o'clock, to be followed by high mass at St. Paul's church at 10:35 sharp. A free lunch is to be served for every one at Maple hall. Dancing will be enjoyed during the afternoon. The queens in the parade are Miss Genevieve Rose and Miss Florence Silva.

Those in charge of the celebration are: F. H. Rose, chairman; A. A. Costa; J. Silveira, J. Cabral; B. Cambra and M. Silva. The public is invited.

Shriners Big Conclave

Kansas City spent $300,000 in entertaining the shriners at the big conclave held in that city this week. John Phillip Sousa's band, supplemented by forty shrine bands, led the parade of 100,000 shriners, more than 500 temples being represented.

Elks Program For June

June 24—Ex-service men's evening, Ruel Cross, ex service man, in charge of program.

June 22—Annual picnic day at Ramona Park.

June 14—Flag day exercises at San Rafael.

Visiting Cards

Going on your vacation? You will need some cards, personal or business cards, to give out as you stop off en route. We print them neatly, on the best stock, and use the best ink. Prices right. Come in and look at samples of work.

Building Permits

Building Inspector Wierda reports that building permits for May exceeded $67,000.

PRINTING

Commercial printing a specialty at this office. Letterheads, printed on good bond, at reasonable prices. Billheads, statements, envelopes, business cards and all kinds of commercial work done here by printers who know how.

Company Head Says No Need of Big "Scare"

Oakland, June 6.—President E. C. Edgerton of the Eastbay Water Co. says there is no truth in the statements circulated by irresponsible parties that a water famine is staring the people in the face. He said:

"There is no necessity in cutting down the use of water. The company is still in responsible charge of the eastbay supply, and has an organization of trained men of long experience, fully acquainted with all the facts."

It looks like the "water politicians," owing to the dry season, are trying to start something without the facts to back their statements. Edgerton says there is water enough, and without reduction, to carry consumers this year and well into the next rainy season.

War Mothers Work to Make Benefit Success

The war mothers of Richmond are co-operating with other organizations to further the success of the circus and pageant of products to be held by the patriotic organizations June 30 to July 5. The proceeds of the circus are to be applied in building a monument in honor of the soldier boys who made the supreme sacrifice.

Help Undernourished Children Is Aim

Food contributions, such as jams and jellies, should be left at 126 Washington avenue or at the gas company's office in Sixth street. These contributions are for the undernourished children, who will soon spend six weeks at Sunshine camp. Miss Rachel Miller, with a number of school nurses, will have charge of the children at the camp. A physical director will be at the camp to supervise the recreational diversions.

Neptune Attractions Draws the Crowds

Thousands of "swim fans" are visiting Neptune Beach, Alameda, on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, and the every day crowd of water and sunshine lovers is breaking all tank attendance records of past years, according to the park management. The tonic effect of bathing, with the exercise that it necessarily exacts, is taking hold of a larger quota of the public every year, according to figures that the bathhouse show.

A feature at the beach that is attracting family parties with small children is the safety section of the big filtered pool that is partitioned off so that the little ones may splash in water of the proper depth for their age. Many mothers are bringing their children to Neptune Beach because of this safety bathing feature.

Seeks Larger Field

Harry Marcus, the well-known clothier and former dry goods merchant, is reported to have opened another store in Oakland. Marcus believes in expanding, and sees in Oakland an opportunity to advance in this line of endeavor. His friends wish him good luck.

TWENTY-TWO DIE AS SCHOOL BURNS

GIRL PUPILS AND MATRON MEET DEATH IN NIGHT FIRE

TERRORIZED STUDENTS FIGHT OFF RESCUERS

Hope School for Retarded Girls Destroyed With Great Loss of Life.—Many Acts of Heroism Displayed in Attempts to Save Inmates.

Los Angeles.—Twenty-two bodies had been recovered from the ashes of the Hope School for Retarded Girls at Playa del Rey.

As the firemen were able to reach the dormitories that proved a death trap to the girls, they found the bodies lying in orderly rows, their lives apparently snuffed out by the heavy smoke before the victims could arouse themselves and attempt to escape the flames.

A check of the bodies in the morgues accounted for most of those reported missing Saturday night. The appalling figure, corroborated by the Los Angeles county coroner's office, increased the death total considerably more than first estimates placed it and stamped the fire as one of the worst disasters in the history of the county.

Woolford Wringer, adopted son of Mrs. Mary E. Jacobs, the school's proprietor, believing his foster-mother within the burning building, entered the inferno in an attempt to rescue her. Coincident with his disappearance into the flames it was reported that the proprietor was visiting friends in Pasadena. The lad was never seen alive afterward.

The finding of the body of Mrs. J. C. Thomas, matron of the school, recalled a tragic story of when the fire was at its height, and marked her as perhaps the outstanding heroine of the disaster. Resisting attempts of firemen to get her from the building, Mrs. Thomas stayed at her post trying to rescue her charges. She started to grope her way through the smoke filled rooms. A wall crashed in and she was burried beneath it.

Firemen and others who worked heroically throughout most of the night, told horrifying tales of the blaze. After groping their way to the dormitories through hallways dense with smoke, the rescuers said they found rows of children sleeping in utter unconsciousness of their danger. Windows were thrown open and the nearest children dropped to safety.

But the girls, partially stupefied by the smoke, became alarmed by the screams of the agonized victims and glare of the flames and a scene of confusion followed. They ran in frightened groups and fought the efforts of their rescuers to get them to the opened windows.

As the flames gained headway rapidly, the workers were forced to give up their mission and bow to the intense heat, and many terrorized children are believed to have been left huddled with fear in dark corners where they could not be reached.

The fire swept through the dormitories with surprising rapidity and had gained much headway when the Venice fire department arrived. The volunteer crew virtually had been forced to abandon its efforts. The firement offered a valiant resistance, but too much time had elapsed to allow them to do other than confine the fire to the building in which it started.

Throughout the night hundreds of spectators watched the crackling flames and stayed on the scene until early hours of the morning waiting until the embers had cooled sufficiently to allow the work of taking the bodies from the ruins.

Boy scouts and police aided in controlling the crowds. Streets for miles were lined with automobiles, many of which served in rushing unconscious girls to hospitals and others who escaped injury to private homes for the night.

75,000 Shriners at Meet

Kanses City, Mo.—Fezzes. The blaring of bands. Joyous shouts of greeting. Laughter. A city dressed up in loud colors. Traffic jams. Everywhere—excitement. The Shriners are in town! The Islam band of San Francisco brought with them the care-free spirit of the coast and the latest in syncopation and willingly distributed both. Another coast temple, Al Malaikah of Los Angeles, did the honors at Troost park.

Scientists Pick Parker

Boston.—Terrence Parker, Boston lawyer, was elected president of the Mother Christian Science church at the annual meeting of the directors. Parker succeeds Charles E. Heitman of New York. George W. Adams of Boston was elected clerk and Edward L. Rupley of Brookline, Mass., treasurer.

England Has Rum-Runners

London.—England has acquired its own rum-running problem since the American twelve-mile limit went into effect. Smugglers, unable to dispose of their "Scotch" along the American coast are bringing it into England.

Fliers Forced to Swim

Tokyo.—Prevented by stormy seas from boarding boats that had come to take them off their planes when they stopped at Kushimoto, the American round-the-world fliers were forced to swim to a destroyer.

SCIONS OF MILLIONAIRES PLAN DEED FOR RANSOM

Ten-Day Chicago Mystery is Solved With Horn-Rimmed Spectacles as Leading Clew.—Youths Admit Guilt After Grueling.

Prying into hidden and intimate phases of the hectic and emotion-surcharged lives of Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold, jr., investigators have uncovered a startling chain of facts which, the authorities believe, have connected the two slayers of 13-year-old Robert Franks with a series of crimes almost as atrocious and revolting as the one they have confessed. And to heighten the interest which the state's attorney's office took in the possibility of other crimes being traced to young Loeb and Leopold, there came information concerning another unsolved murder in the neighborhood where the youths lived.

Chicago. — Richard Loeb and Nathan Leopold, millionaires' sons who admitted killing Robert Franks, 14-year-old school boy, "just for the fun of it," face trial for first-degree murder.

"They killed an innocent child 'for the fun of it;' they'll be brought to justice as rapidly as the wheels of the courts can be turned," was the word that went out from the office of State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe.

Loeb, soon after the confession, broke down and collapsed. He was taken to a hospital and revived; then forced to accompany Leopold and a party of officers over the scene of the murder, reenacting the crime in all its details.

While attaches of the state's attorney's office were preparing the case against the two youths, attorneys for their wealthy parents were hastily setting up a defense. Benjamin Bachrach, consul for Leopold's father, is temporarily heading the defense.

Why two boys, sons of millionaire families, profound students, clear thinkers and worldly wise, should carry out a plot of murder, "just for the fun of it," is the problem perplexing the psychiatrists and alienists. It may lead, one of them admitted, to the writing of a new chapter in the textbooks of criminology; the case is unparalleled.

Leopold, son of the president of the Morris Paper Box company, holder of a degree of bachelor of philosophy from the University of Chicago, admitted it was he who plotted the kidnaping and murder. Just before confessing, young Leopold was discussing philosophy and religion with his examiners. He professed to be an atheist.

Loeb, son of Albert Loeb, vice president of Sears, Robuck mail order firm, was Leopold's accomplice. Leob is known as the youngest graduate of the University of Michigan, receiving his A. B. degree at the age of 17.

Both confessed murderers have been students in the law department of the University of Chicago. They continued their daily classes until their arrest. The plans for the kidnaping and murder were laid in spare moments between classes and during evenings when they went together to out-of-the-way places, ostensibly to "study nature."

CALIFORNIA TAX REFUND RULING HELD NOT FINAL

Washington. — Attorney General Stone's ruling countermanding a previous ruling of former Attorney General Daugherty entailing a possible refund to estate and income taxpayers in California is not final. Senator Shortridge, following the publication of Stone's letter on the subject, took the matter up with him and learned that the Daugherty order had merely been "recalled for further consideration." The entire subject matter is left open, and Senator Shortridge informed the attorney general that he desires an opportunity for a full presentation of the claims of California taxpayers before a final decision is reached.

Provisions for Tax Refund

Washington.—Under the new tax law, current income taxes are reduced 25 per cent. If you paid all of your income tax last March, apply to your collector of internal revenue for a refund. If you pay your tax in quarterly installments, deduct 50 per cent from the payment due June 15. This allows for the 25 per cent reduction due on the March payment. Then deduct 25 per cent from the payments due in September and December.

$5,000,000 Gift to Harvard

Cambridge, Mass.—A gift of $5,000,000, one of the largest donations ever made to an educational institution, has been made to Harvard university as a permanent foundation for the Harvard graduate school of business administration by George E. Baker, New York banker.

Fall's Cash Subpoenaed

Santa Fe.—A subpoena has been issued by the U. S. district court here for the receiver of the Exchange bank of Carrizozo, N. M., to produce records of the bank showing the account of former Secretary of the Interior Fall.

Fire Razes Oil Plants

Houston.—Fire which started from a series of lightning strokes during a severe electrical storm here destroyed the storage warehouses of the Magnolia Petroleum company and caused an estimated loss of $500,000.

Golden State
News of Interest to All

Six officers and six other members of the Richmond fire department were dismissed by the city council.

A large barge on Lake Tahoe sank with more than $3,000 in groceries and about 300 sacks of cement.

It cost Tehama county $60 for George Bertram of Gerber to vote at the recent primary under the absent voter law.

Serious injuries were received by E. F. Truxell, Chico dairyman, when he was thrown by a frightened yearling caft.

Mrs. Lou McCoy, 70, of Napa, was burned on the neck and arms when she rushed into her home which was in flames.

Raymond Wardell, 13, of Napa, has filed a $35,000 suit for damages against the San Francisco, Napa and Calistoga railway.

Michael Tierney, a laborer, was found dead in a cell at the Sacramento jail, the result of drinking denatured alcohol.

A large storage barn, the property of George Shattuck, Gerber, was destroyed by fire, the damage being estimated at $1,500.

The new hotel at Richardson Springs, Butte county, has been formally opened. Cost of the structure is said to be $350,000.

The Stockton Round Table, a unit of the Knights of the Round Table, has been instituted with Oscar C. Parkinson as president.

George M. Miller, rancher near Woodland, worked for a week without knowing that two bones in his left ankle were broken.

Winters, Yolo county, with a population of less than 1,000 pepole, has had sixteen golden wedding observances in as many years.

Truman Giles, 12, held as Los Angeles' "baby bandit," is alleged to have obtained $1,000 worth of loot there in a series of bold thefts.

Deputy sheriffs raided a "den" in Walnut Creek and seized yen shee valued at $250, some unprepared opium, four pipes and five lamps.

All phases of advertising were considered at the twenty-first annual convention of Pacific Coast Advertising Clubs association at Fresno.

To increase Vallejo's water supply 1,500,000 gallons per day, new pumping facilities will be installed in the Soscol wells in the near future.

Marion Carver, Esparto rancher, arrested as a "Peeping Tom" at Woodland, pleaded guilty and was given a ninety days' suspended sentence.

Elmer J. Hertel, Oakland, was elected president of the Conference of Better Business bureau managers at its annual meeting in Fresno.

A one-story and basement, reinforced concrete bank building for the Sonoma county bank will be built at Petaluma to cost about $135,000.

A one-story Mission style reinforced concrete bank building will be built for the Mercantile Trust company at Sonta Clara to cost about $30,000.

Mrs. Eva St. Cyr pleaded that she had been driven to selling liquor at her home in Lawrence to support her blind husband and their child.

Grief over the suicide of his only daughter, Mrs. Pearl Chapman, caused the death of Algernon A. Hatch, 75, a retired machinist of Sacramento.

A six-story reinforced concrete and steel store and hotel building to be built at Sacramento will contain 125 rooms and will cost about $150,000.

Mrs. Anna Nunn of Los Angeles was killed while riding near Riverside when a front tire blew out and the swerve threw her from her seat.

The largest class in the history of Alhambra union high school, comprising twenty-seven students, will graduate at exercises to be held June 19.

All teachers for the Escalon grammar school have been reappointed by the board of trustees and the school year just ended was the most successful in its history.

Sixty-five teachers of Glenn county passed the recent examination held in Willows on the provisions and principals of the constitution of the United States.

Clara Kimball Young, actress, who collapsed a month ago during a performance at Fort Wayne, Ind., and later was critically ill, is at her home in Los Angeles.

Lemoore city trustees adopted a revised schedule of water rates, which brings a material reduction to persons who use water for irrigating flowers and lawns.

When she refused to permit a bulldog to sleep in their bed her husband abused her, according to a divorce complaint filed in the Sutter county superior court by Mrs. Anna M. Frazer against Herbert A. Frazer.

Recruiting for the citizens training camp of the Ninth corps area has been discontinued by the war department, and only those who have previously attended such camps now will be accepted for summer training.

Fred J. Johnson of Sacramento succeeds Emery V. Yundt of Huntington Beach as district governor of the International Association of Lions, Fourth district, elected at the annual convention in Sacramento, San Diego has been chosen as the 1925 convention city.

Robert J. Tasker, alias Reed Jordan, 22, arrested after attempting to hold up a dance hall in Oakland, confessed that he robbed four east bay cafes in the past month and blamed his crimes to the desire to make "good" and embark in business to win the hand of a girl.

It is the belief of the officials of the state mining bureau that activity at the Bullard Bar dam will add greatly to the state's gold production. That development, in which it is estimated $25,000,000 will be spent, is looked upon as a start toward revival of the placer industry. The fields of Trinity, Humboldt, Del Norte, Siskiyou and other northern counties outside of the Sierra fields, it is estimated, can be made to yield $400,000,000.

Santa Cruz has been chosen for the 1925 meeting of the California State Nurses association. Officers elected are: Janette F. Peterson, Pasadena, re-elected president; Louise Groth, San Jose, first vice president; Minnie Taylor, Riverside, second vice president; Julia H. Taylor, Galt, re-elected secretary; Mary I. Hall, Oakland, treasurer.

Luneta post, No. 52, Veterans of Foreign Wars at Stockton, was presented with a gavel made from a piece of hardwood—the shattered section of a native implement of war—picked up on a battlefield in the Philippine Islands during the Spanish-American war by W. S. Bilyeu, a veteran of that campaign.

Charges of blue-sky law violation against three men who are alleged to have sold Doble Steam Motor corporation stock after their permit to do so had expired, were temporarily balked when attorneys for the defense succeeded to tying up certain evidence in the case.

J. J. Petersen, residing in the vicinity of Kenilworth park, Petaluma, has asked the city council to make some regulations relative to the airplanes as the birdmen were continually scaring chickens when they flew over the park.

Professor Robert A. Millikan, director of the Norman Bridge Laboratory of the California Institute of Technology, is in Sweden. During his stay the professor will be received in special audience by King Gustav.

Harry W. Lawrence of Highland Park, Ill., estranged from his father since he was a small child, is heir to the bulk of a $50,000 estate left by his father, Augustus W. Lawrence, who died three years ago in Long Beach.

The first initiative petitions to be filed with Secretary of State Frank C. Jordan came from San Francisco, carrying 31,000 signatures, approving qualification of the water and power act for a place on the November ballot.

All movement of freight on the Sacramento river in the Colusa vicinity has ended for the season because of low water conditions. A big barge leaving there several weeks ago will not be able to return until next fall.

An average of four cents a day for one year, was the total support offered by Albert Johnson, Los Angeles mechanic, to his wife and child, Mrs. Erma C. Johnson testified in her petition for divorce.

Members of the El Dorado County Summer Homes association plan to appear again before the supervisors to ask an appropriation for police protection of their cottages during the winter months.

Between 160 and 170 acres of land were burned in the vicinity of Cook's Station, Amador county. The fire destroyed second growth timber, a ranch house and a barn and the old Chichizola saw mill.

Joe Murphy, James Sullivan and Ed Brady, all of San Francisco, were seriously injured when they fell from a scaffold at the plant of the Pacific Gas and Electric company in Sacramento.

Major Sloan Doak, cavalry officer, on detached service with the American Army Olympic riding team, upon completion of the games in Europe, will go to the presidio of Monterey for duty.

Traffic Officer Edward Pettis of Ukiah, arrested a traffic law offender who proved to be captain in the air reserve under whom he served as first lieutenant during the war.

An ordinance controlling all dances given outside of incorporated cities in Sonoma county is in effect and provides punishment for all disorderly conduct or improper dancing.

Strychnine poisoning was declared to have caused the death of Miss Lena Lang, 18-year-old high school student of Yreka, following a dance and supper which she attended.

Paul Zscheile, jr., valedictorian of the graduating class of Chowchilla, won a four-year scholarship offered by the American Chemical society for an essay on chemistry.

A. E. Frost, inspector of the state board of foresters, will supervise construction of a steel lookout tower on Grizzly peak back of Berkeley as a protection against fires.

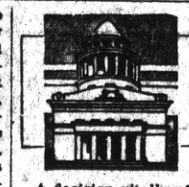
Residents of Paradise petitioned the Chico board of education to reconsider its decision to remove the two year high school in Paradise. The board declined.

The Tulare city council refused to consider a petition for recall of Councilmen Brown, Paxton and Sisson on the ground that the petitions had not been properly posted.

Financial obligations forcing him to seek additional income, the Rev. Joseph Gray, pastor of the Red Bluff Church of the Nazarene, has given up the pulpit to become a paperhanger.

Holly Development's wildcat well at Lois, three miles south of Portersville, will make about 25 to 30 barrels of high gravity oil, according to reports.

Robert A. Wolski, 50, who signed his farewell note as a practicing physician of Minneapolis, Minn., killed himself at the Wayne hotel in San Diego.



STATE LETTER
Around Capitol and State Institutions

A decision vitally affecting the California alien land law was made by Superior Judge Conkling of El Centro declaring unconstitutional the amendment to the initiative act prohibiting cropping contracts. The decision holds that the legislature went beyond the limits permitted by the constitution for amending initiative acts. The case was in habeas corpus proceedings brought by K. Nogi, arrested for violation of the act in contracting with a Los Angeles distributor. The office of the attorney genreal said that while there was no appeal from the habeas corpus decision, in other cases to come up the identical point would be raised and the supreme court be called upon to settle the constitutionality.

California is now undertaking vocational education on a more comprehensive scale than ever before and more than 15,000 boys and girls are being prepared for the various trades. The vocational training system which the state is building up will eliminate the "failures and the drifters," enables students to become finished carpenters, bricklayers, agriculturists, mechanics, plasterers, printers, plumbers and experts in virtually all other branches of non-professional work, says Commissioner Ricciardi.

Twenty-two counties in northern California have petitioned the war department to revive the air forest patrol services maintained in that section of the state during the past two summers. According to officials of the state forestry department the airplanes assigned by the war department for scouting duty proved valuable in discovering forest fires that were controlled before they did great damage.

Since August, 1923, when the new law permitting prison inmates to work on the state highways became effective, 850 convicts have earned a total of $34,000. Approximately $5,000 had been voluntarily contributed by the convict workers to relatives dependent upon them. The balance is held in trust for the prisoners until they are released.

Frank C. Drew, San Francisco attorney, whose death occurred recently, willed his valuable library to the University of California. In addition $1,000 was set aside for the university. This collection is to be housed in a corner in the library to be known as the "F. C. and H. P. Drew" corner.

County treasurers, in their semi-annual settlements, turned into the state treasury approximately $2,100,000 in inheritance taxes and other state revenues collected by the county governments. San Francisco led with approximately $670,000, and Los Angeles was next with $626,000.

Inspection of California dairies and "strict observance of the standards which have meant so much to the advancement of the industry in the past few years" are needed at the present time, and a detail of men will be placed on this work, according to the department of agriculture.

Compilations completed by the state bureau of vital statistics, show that California had its banner baby crop in 1923. The number of births totaled 80,237, an increase of 6,916 over 1922. The excess of births over deaths in 1923 reached the total of 25,821.

The total increase in the number of patients in the state institutions for the insane during the past year was 139, or slightly more than 1 per cent. The rate of increase is greater among females than males, according to the records of the department of institutions.

Attorney-General Webb, in an opinion rendered to the state superintendent of public instruction, holds that there is nothing in a recent decision of the state supreme court which can be construed to mean that bible reading is permissible in the schools.

Applicants for admission to the practice of law in California who fail to pass the state tests will be denied the right to be re-examined until a year has elapsed from the date of their rejection, by a rule adopted by the state board of bar examiners.

Students of California high schools will not be permitted to participate in the essay contest on "Why Coolidge Should Be Returned to the White House." Superintendent Wood holds that the partisan nature of the essay violates the political code.

Another $50,000 taken from the emergency fund for the fight against the foot and mouth malady, May 28, brought the total appropriations from that fund for the purpose to a quarter of a million dollars.

Mary E. Davis, member of the state board of health bureau of child hygiene, was elected president of the state organization for public health nursing.

President Van Matre of the Humboldt teachers college, has tendered his resignation, effective September 1.

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Men are taught virtue and a love of independence by living in the country. —Meander.

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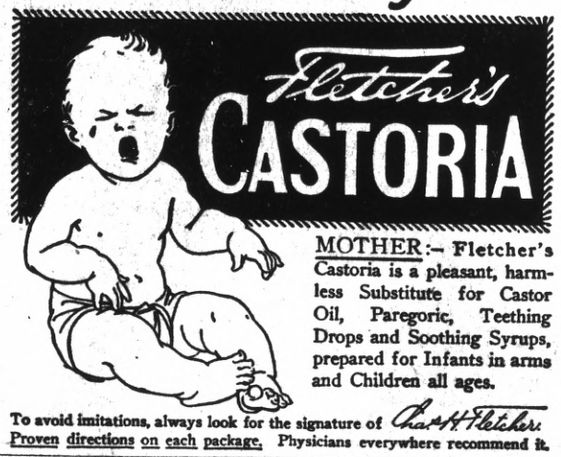

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Certainly Sound

Fred was a long-winded individual. He always insisted on giving any one and every one his views at great length, regardless of whether or not he had been asked for them. In short, he was what is commonly known as a bore.

"Well, what do you think of my argument?" he asked his friend Tom after one particularly tiring tirade.

"Sound—most certainly sound," replied his friend.

"And what else?" asked Fred anxiously.

"Nothing else—merely sound."

A Bulldog

"Love me, love my dog." "I love your dog, girlie. I depend on him to keep the other guys away."

Office Equipment

"Doctor, I hear you are going to retire."

"Yes, my boy. I have been practicing in this neighborhood for more than thirty years. It is time I gave you young fellows a chance.

"Could I purchase—"

"Sorry, my boy, but I have sold my entire operating outfit."

"I only wanted to buy your stock of old magazines."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Thin Platinum Wire

Platinum wire used in certain optical and electrical instruments is drawn to a fineness of less than one twelve-thousandth of an inch in diameter.

Effect of Nationality

"Isn't that clock a little fast?"

"Shouldn't be surprised; it's a French clock."—Boston Transcript.

Age 31 Has Tragic Meaning for Average Man or Woman

U. S. Life Tables show health span extends only from 18 to 31—Earnings fall off rapidly after 40

Physical freedom and full vigor—what are they worth to you? This is a question the average American can answer from his own bitter experience—for at age 31 the average American begins to slip. After 40 his earning power drops off rapidly. These appalling facts are shown by the United States Life Tables, 1920.

Age 31! The age at which men and women should be entering their period of greatest usefulness and happiness! The beginning of the supposed "prime of life."

Not the prime of life. The age of decay! What causes contribute to this fearful condition?

Unwise eating. Sleeplessness. The loading of the body with drug stimulants, which appear to *give* added energy, but actually *borrow* this energy from the body's own reserve.

Every school child is taught to avoid stimulants. Most mothers enforce the *no-coffee* rule for children. Then comes maturity—and the squandering of the reserve strength which the body has stored up. Figures show that the average American is able to stand the pace just 13 years. Then, with half his life yet before him, he hits the down grade.

Medical literature classifies caffein as a poison. Like strychnin, it is sometimes by doctors given in cases of heart failure. The average cup of coffee contains the usual dose of caffein administered in these cases.

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John replied: "We would have the picnic right there."

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Musical Tone Opens Lock

A newly invented lock for safes has just been exhibited at Birmingham, England, the peculiarity of which is that, instead of opening to a numerical combination, it does so to a musical tone. In other words, if the cracksman who attempts to open a safe door sings a G sharp when the lock has been attuned to G flat he will be thwarted. Safeblowers of the future, instead of carrying a kit of jimmies and "nitro," will have to have a set of tuning forks.—Musical America.

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Modern America

A woman friend dropped in the other evening to chat with the wife, and was surprised to find the husband, enveloped in an apron, washing the dishes.

"Where's the wife?" the visitor asked cheerily.

"Over at the barber shop," came the grumpy reply.—Indianapolis News.

Best of Reasons

"How is it that you always let your wife have her own way?"

"I tried to stop her once."

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OLD GLORY'S DAY

By JOHN DICKINSON SHERMAN

OLD GLORY'S DAY—the Day of the Star-Spangled Banner, of the Red, White and Blue, of the Stars and Stripes, of the Flag that is oldest among the nations of earth, of the Flag that is handsomest of all that wave, of the Flag that has never known defeat, of the Flag of the United States of America—the most powerful, the richest and the most blessed country under the sun.

Old Glory's thirteen stripes stand for the Original States. There is a star for each State in the Union. Its Red means valor; its White, hope, purity and truth; its Blue, loyalty, sincerity and justice; its Stars, high aspirations and Federal Union.

January 1, 1776, General George Washington, commander-in-chief of the Continental Armies, hoisted the Grand Union Flag over his headquarters at Cambridge, Mass. This was composed of the British union and 13 stripes. It was this Grand Union Flag that was flown in Boston when the British evacuated, February 8, 1776, the Colonial Congressional Committee accepted a Naval Flag, consisting of the thirteen stripes, with a rattlesnake diagonally across them.

In June of 1776 a committee of the Second Continental Congress, accompanied by General Washington, called on Mrs. Betsy Ross, a Philadelphia flag-maker, and engaged her to make a model flag from drawings. General Washington made modifications in pencil. Mrs. Ross got the committee to change from a six-pointed to a five-pointed star. June 14, 1777, congress passed this resolution:

Resolved, That the Flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.

John Paul Jones, appointed that very day to command the Ranger, flew the Stars and Stripes for the first time on a naval vessel.

The first display of the Stars and Stripes was August 3, 1777, over Fort Stanwix, a frontier post in the Mohawk Valley, now Rome, N. Y. Tradition has it that this particular Star and Stripes was made from the white shirts of the soldiers, the red petticoats of their wives and the blue dress uniform of Capt. Abraham Swartout.

When the Stars and Stripes was flown Fort Stanwix was the only American fortress south of the Lake Forts and was a forlorn hope. For a concerted and well-planned campaign was under way to cut off New York and all territory south from New England and to destroy the Mohawk Valley, the American granary. Four British Armies were in the field. Burgoyne was invading from the North, driving St. Clair and Schuyler before him, and following the Hudson to Albany. Clinton was marching North from New York to join Burgoyne at Albany. From Oswego St. Leger with Tory militia and the Iroquois was marching on Stanwix on his way to Albany. McDonald, with irregulars and savages, was to strike Schenectady and go on to Albany. With St. Leger was that bloodthirsty madman, Walter Butler, whose ambition was to extinguish all rebel life within the Mohawk Valley.

It was to the relief of Fort Stanwix that General Herkimer was marching when he fell into that fateful Iroquois ambush.

"A great battle in the West," he said. "The dead lie everywhere. Herkimer is dying, Colonel Cox is dead, and Major Eisnlord—nearly all our colonels and majors are gone. They loaded the wagons with our dead. No family in Tryon county but is in mourning at this hour."

"Sir," said I amid a terrible silence, "are you telling us that we have been beaten?"

At that he pulled himself erect and began to laugh in a ghastly fashion.

"No, sir," he said. "We went at Sir John Johnson's Greens and tore the entrails out of them. We turned on the Iroquois and on Butler's Rangers and beat their skulls to a pulp. The woods are littered with dead greencoats. We've torn Hiikatoo's Senecas to pieces. The Mohawks ran and our Palatine Regiment stood and slaughtered them with their bullets. We hold the field. . . . But, oh, God! what woe is fallen upon Tryon! Willet came out of the Fort and took Sir John's camp and baggage and all his standards. . . . That was the battle of Oriskany."

And that is a realistic glimpse of the battle of Oriskany, as told by a distraught and weary express, in Robert W. Chambers' "America."

Following are four "first" Flag dates:

September 11, 1777—The American Flag first carried in battle at the Brandywine. This was the first great battle fought after its adoption by the Continental Congress.

January 28 1778—First appearance on a foreign stronghold at Nassau, Bahama Islands. The Americans captured Fort Nassau from the British and promptly raised the Stars and Stripes.

Februray 14, 1778—First foreign salute to the Stars and Stripes. John Paul Jones entered Quiberon Bay, near Brest, France, and received a salute of nine guns from the French fleet, under Admiral La Motte Piquet. Jones had previously saluted the French fleet with 21 guns.

April 24, 1778—John Paul Jones achieved the honor of being the first officer of the American Navy to compel a regular British man-of-war to strike her colors to the new Flag.

A most important hoisting of the Red, White and Blue was that in 1778 by George Rogers Clark over captured Kaskaskia. It was the Kentucky backwoodsman's famous military exploit that fixed the boundary of the United States at the Mississippi in the treaty of 1783, the British insisting on the Alleghanies. This in turn led to the Louisiana Purchase.

February 3, 1783—First appearance of the American Flag in a British port by the ship Bedford, of Massachusetts, which arrived in the River Thames on this date.

September 13, 1784—First displayed in China by Capt. John Green, of the Empress, in Canton River. The natives said it was as beautiful as a flower and the Chinese continued to call it the "Flower Flag" for many years.

September 30, 1787—August 10, 1790—The American Flag completed its first trip around the world, borne by the ship Columbia, sailing from Boston.

January 13, 1794—American Flag changed by act of Congress, owing to two new States (Kentucky and Vermont) being admitted to the Union. The flag now had two stars and two stripes added to it, making 15 stripes and stars. This was the Star-Spangled Banner, and under this Flag our country fought and won three wars to maintain her existence—the so-called naval war with France in 1798; that with the Barbary States in 1801-1805; and that with England in 1812-1815.

A raising of the Star-Spangled Banner of tremendous interest and importance took place in St. Louis in May of 1804, following the consummation of the Louisiana Purchase. The flag of Spain was pulled down. The Flag of France was run up and pulled down. The Flag of the United States was run up to stay. Thereupon Lewis and Clark, waiting on the American side of the Mississippi, set forth on their memorable expedition to see what we had bought. Their report two years later started the American people on their march to the Pacific.

January 26, 1813—U. S. frigate Essex, first warship to fly the American flag in the Pacific after rounding Cape Horn. The Essex destroyed British commerce in the Pacific to the amount of $6,000,000. Built at Salem, Mass., and launched September 30, 1799.

April 4, 1818—Congress by act decreed a return to the original 13 stripes and a star for every State in the Union, to be added to the flag on the July 4 following a State's admission to the Union. This is the present law in relation to the Flag.

"The Star-Spangled Banner," which has come to be regarded as our National Hymn, was written on a September night in 1814 by Francis Scott Key during the bombardment of Fort McHenry by the British in their unsuccessful attempt to take Baltimore, after they had burned the capitol at Washington.

August 24, 1824—The Stars and Stripes were raised for the first time over the cupola of the Massachusetts Statehouse, on Beacon Hill, on the occasion of the visit of Lafayette to Boston.

August 10, 1831—The name "Old Glory" given to our Flag by Capt. William Driver, of the brig Charles Doggert. The Flag was presented to the captain and contained 110 yards of bunting. It is now said to be in the Essex Institute at Salem.

October 18, 1867—Final official display of the American Flag in Alaska. On this day, at Sitka, the capital, the Russian Flag was hauled down and the American Flag run up before the barracks and in the presence of both Russian and American troops.

The four real "Daughters of 1812" are left to right, Mrs. C. L. Dowling, Mrs. J. Parker Gaillard, Mrs. H. W. Blaudy, and Miss J. E. Richardson. There are still alive in eleven states nineteen real "Daughters of the Revolution." Mrs. Louisa Kirwin Capron Thiers, the oldest living D. A. R., is one hundred and nine and lives in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Blanche Bellak, Pennsylvania State War Mother, is shown placing a Flag on a memorial dedicated to Betsy Ross at her grave in Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Philadelphia.

The Personal Touch

An interesting advertisement which appeared in a college paper:

"If the gentleman who took my psychology notes from the cloak rack will return them before exams no questions will go unanswered."—Colorado Dodo.

Romances That Lie in Ocean's Depths

Fish stories are important items of human experience, and the teeming life of the sea has ups and downs to match any fortune of the land. Young oysters, we are told, settle down to work after 48 hours of making a splash in their world. Some become pearl manufacturers, and others just hang around the bars—plain old soaks. Starfish sometimes visit oyster communities and work the old shell game. Well, the oysters have made their beds—let them lie in it. They prowl around at night, but always in the morning they manage to find their own flats on the old home rock, and so save their faces in the eyes of the community. Ah, those sly, frolicking limpets!

And what armories of teeth—whelks have from 220 to 250 each, winkles 8,500, and the umbrella shell about 750,000 to the set. What a time there must be when the little umbrella shells are teething. Whelks, mon!

Life at the bottom of the sea is a pretty serious business.—Nation's Business.

Result of Practice

A sophisticated girl is one who has practiced for years to attain her charming naturalness.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Age and Play

We stop playing, not because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing.—Herbert Spencer.

The KITCHEN CABINET

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The golden poppy is God's gold,
The gold that lifts, nor weighs us down.
The gold that knows no miser's hold,
The gold that banks not in the town.
But singing, laughing, freely spills
Far up the happy hills;
Far up, far down, at every turn—
What beggar has not gold to burn.

—Joaquin Miller.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Even in small homes with simple furnishings and equipment it is always wise to keep a small note book with the contents of every closet, drawer and storeroom inventoried. In case of sudden illness, when strangers must handle one's possessions, it is a source of much comfort. Even the most active memory will not always recall in a hurry the exact article wanted. Piece bags that have lists of contents, or a label will save rummaging for priceless minutes for something not there.

At this time of the year, when we overhaul the household goods, many of us harden our hearts and put aside things saved for years and pass them on to someone who can use and enjoy them.

Children of today are so surfeited with toys that one hesitates to add to the general chaos; but often the little bits of leftover laces, silks and knickknacks which have been cast aside will prove a great pleasure to some little child who loves to dress her doll. Keep a box for such accumulations and pass them on when the occasion presents.

Another household convenience is a card index. One may use this for the inventory and another for recipes. Have a set for leftovers. For example, what may be done with tomato in varying quantities; it will surprise you how many delightful dishes you can prepare with even one-half cupful, and other things.

An index of this kind will grow with the years and be something of inestimable value, one that may be handed down to one's grandchildren with pride.

Potatoes boiled in their jackets at home and then fried in butter will be eaten to the last slice.

The sauce for croquettes is in proportion of one to four, using the same proportion of liquid and four tablespoonfuls each of flour and butter. This sauce is used with an equal measure of food, cooled and rolled into croquettes. These are fried in deep fat.

"It's fun to dare in the face of despair, when the last lone chance seems gone,
And to see hope rise in the angry skies like a promise of rosy dawn;
For victory's sweet when it crowns defeat, and you learn this much is true:
It's fun to fight when you know you're right, and your heart is in it too."

THE TENDER PEAS

Peas are one of our most valuable vegetable proteins. They take the place of meat in the diet, and when dressed with cream and butter are sufficiently nourishing to be served as a main dish.

Green Pea Soup.—Take one pint of green peas, a quart of chicken stock, six small onions, parsley, a small bunch of mint, a handful of spinach, two tablespoonfuls of butter and a teaspoonful of salt. Wash the spinach, parsley and mint, add the peas to the stock with the other vegetables and cook until soft. Put all through a sieve and reheat. Season well with butter and serve hot.

Peas and Peanuts Salad.—Take two cupfuls of cooked green peas, one cupful of peanuts coarsely chopped, one-half cupful of olives, finely minced, a bit of onion and mayonnaise. Season with salt and cayenne pepper and serve on lettuce.

Peas and Peppers.—Take the tops from six peppers, remove the seeds and soak in a strong brine overnight. Moisten with liquor from the can of peas, fill the shells with one-half cupful each of minced meat, bread crumbs and one cupful of peas. Season with onion juice, salt, pepper and a spoonful of thick cream. Bake until the peppers are tender. Serve hot.

Pea Souffle.—Cook a pint of peas until soft; if they are not sweet add a teaspoonful of sugar as they cook. Put through a sieve, add two tablespoonfuls of butter, a pint of milk, the yolks of three eggs and seasoning to taste. Mix all together and fold in the stiffly beaten whites. Pour into a buttered baking dish and bake twenty minutes.

Canned green peas seasoned and swimming in cream make a most appetizing dish which is especially filling and nutritious. These may be carried hot in the thermos if desired, or reheated just before serving.

Nellie Maxwell

MARY SUCCEEDS ON MAIN STREET

By LAURA MILLER

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"OLD MISS," PLANTATION MANAGER

Miss Effie Moncure and I, friends of a half hour, were lunching on shrimps and rice. It was a quaint little restaurant, not to be duplicated in any metropolis. Neither are shrimps and rice, cooked as these were cooked, to be duplicated outside of Dixieland—or of Shreveport, for all I know. Certainly Miss Moncure is unique in her "side line."

"I'll have to get back to work fairly early," she suddenly said. "My black folks come in for supplies this afternoon." Therein lay a romance of the feudal age. But the lord of the castle had become a lady! And the lady was the pretty young person who had introduced herself merely as "an average private secretary."

A leading lawyer of this Louisiana town is also, by inheritance, a planter. His acres are planted to cotton, cultivated on shares. Each of his fifteen negro families has 20 acres. The sharing scheme has become hereditary, a voluntary serfdom. The preacher, for instance, is son of five generations of negro preachers born on the same soil, illiterate and perpetually in debt to the current generation of owners. "Wildcat," a negro of recent literary fame, grew up, Miss Moncure says, on "her place."

When the owner had to go West for his health, she inherited his oversight of the place. Last year, despite floods, replanting and low prices, she managed to make the rent and a $3,000 profit as against no rent and a $2,000 deficit before she took charge. She has to advance supplies of every sort for the full year in the proportion these childlike negroes need, not want; see that enough corn and alfalfa are raised for stock and that all work steadily. She has to share all their joys and sorrows, yet retain their respect. Their nickname, "Old Miss," applied to her under-thirty self, is the final proof of their devotion and trust in her, Shreveport folk say.

That Miss Moncure has personality goes without saying. She is the first woman of her family to work outside her home. Her grandmother was "the earliest white woman settler on the last river bank along the Texas trail" and thus a founder of the oldest family of Shreveport. Miss Moncure, to become a stenographer, made sure she could "spell, translate French law, and look up authorities," and thus took herself outside the mediocre class before she started.

She believes that by staying in the smaller place a woman has "a better chance of becoming known in business, and retains the social position which means good times."

THE TOP OF THE POST OFFICE LADDER

The highest-paid woman in the United States postal service makes $6,000 a year. As a matter of fact only five men postmasters in the country receive more than Elizabeth Barnard, mistress of the Tampa (Fla.) office.

Married at eighteen, her soldier husband left her a widow six years later with two children, no income and no notion of what she could do. The first job she could find consisted of weighing nails and measuring rope. For this she received all of $4 a week. Mornings, noons and nights she served boarders in her mother's home, racing back and forth between jobs until every ounce of endurance was stretched to match the will that drove her. There wasn't much left over for mothering her babies.

Somehow she found between-while minutes both at shop and home. Into these scattered scraps of leisure she poked a correspondence course in shorthand. Stenographer Barnard more than tripled the income of Clerk Barnard; she went on Uncle Sam's pay roll at what seemed to her the princely sum of $600 per annum.

Sixteen years in the Tampa post office have found her moving up the ladder rung by rung. There isn't an assignment in the service that she hasn't held down and made good on, it is said. There is a tradition that she is the only woman entrusted with the "man's job" of assistant superintendent of mails.

"Perhaps willingness to serve, absolute loyalty and attending to my duties to the exclusion of outside influences, explain my promotion," she said recently in the Independent Woman. "Then I discovered a long time ago that when I can say 'Leave this to me—you needn't bother with it further,' the average 'boss' is gratified."

Politically, her appointment by Mr. Harding last January proved interesting to many people in both major parties. Florida is a Southern, and therefore normally Democratic, state, but recent population growth has come largely from Republican sections.

Caught in Passing

Some call it ambition and some call it greediness.

Money doesn't bring happiness; lack of it doesn't.

Summer Find You Miserable?

It's hard to do one's work when every day brings morning lameness, throbbing backache, and a dull, tired feeling. If you suffer thus, why not find the cause? Likely it's your kidneys. Headaches, dizziness and kidney irregularities may give further proof that your kidneys need help. Don't risk neglect! Use *Doan's Pills*—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys. Thousands have been helped by *Doan's*. They should help you. *Ask your neighbor!*

A California Case

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No More "Heathen"

There are no more "heathen" in the world, according to a ruling made at the headquarters of the Salvation Army in Chicago. It was decided that "heathen" is too rude a name to apply to nations which have civilization older than the Christian religion. Henceforth such people will be called "non-Christian."

A Puzzler

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Society Editor—For me?

Managing Editor—Strictly; a young lady wants to know who should keep up the payments on the ring when the engagement is broken.

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Too Many "Investigations" Not Enough Conviction

Cost of "senate inquiries" for the present fiscal year will have drained some $325,000 in tax funds out of the United States treasury. The congressional investigations are becoming a costly business. Many citizens are asking the simple question, "Why are these enormous expenditures necessary in addition to maintaining governmental departments whose duty it is to attend to the very matters involved in these 'special investigations?'"

Has the investigating mania become a part of campaign propaganda carried on at the public expense?

What Gas Will Do

Less than 100 feet of manufactured gas a day is used to do the cooking and heating for an average family of five persons, according to a recent analysis of gas consumption.

Twenty-five cubic feet of gas will bake from one to eight loave of bread, depending upon the size of the oven; 35 feet will roast a one and three quarter pound chicken; 6 cubic feet will cook a quart of bean soup or prepare a quart of coffee; 10 cubic feet will bake one or more pies, according to the size of the oven; 20 cubic feet will heat 20 gallons of water, enough for an average family wash.

Beats Last Year's Record

Last year the railroads handled the heaviest traffic in their history. To date this year the railroads, as a whole, have handled more traffic than they did in the same period last year.

The Southern Pacific Company, Union Pacific and Santa Fe, the greatest western railroad systems, last year handled a record breaking amount of freight traffic through unparalleled efficiency of operation. With the co-operation of shippers, the average carload of 1923 was the heaviest in the State.

The number of cars and locomotives under repair has been reduced for the three months' period of 1924, as compared with the number for the same period of 1923. The Pacific coast, on account of its great distance from eastern markets, and because of the perishable nature of a large proportion of its products, is particularly dependent on efficient railroad service.

In setting the steel trap for the lynx it is best to make some kind of pen with the bait arranged so that the animal will have to go over the trap in reaching for it, says the Sportsman's Digest. Some scent, as described for using in the care of the snare, will be of advantage and a "flag" will not come in amiss. However, a good piece of meat bait such as partridge or rabbit works to a better result, especially if the ground immediately near the set be scattered over with a few feathers.

The size of the trap should be a No. 3, as the lynx, while not a hard animal to hold when once caught, has a very large foot and will often spring a smaller trap without any harm to himself.

We May Phone to Mars and "Pass Up" the Moon

There were in the United States at the end of 1922 fourteen and one-half million of telephones, or better than one telephone for every eight people. If it were possible to construct a single telephone circuit between the earth and the moon, and these telephones were all connected to this line, they would be equivalent to nearly 60 telephones per mile of circuit for the entire distance between the two planets. From a telephone standpoint, this country is by far the best developed in the world.

Radio Should Be Free From Tax

The proposed 10 per cent tax on radio outfits is probably the most irritating of the "nuisance taxes" that could be devised. It would deprive a great part of the public of the benefits of information and culture, and would yield the government only about $10,000,000, much of which would be eaten up by the horde of office holders necessary to collect the tax. In this proposal the government not only essays to tax a great free blessing, but American inventive genius as well.

Shows Drift of Waters

Life buoy No. 9 broke loose from its moorings in the Indio channel of the Plata river, Argentina, on July 3, 1918. It was recovered by Australian authorities about 100 miles north of Freemantle, Western Australia, on June 29, 1923. The drift was across the South Atlantic ocean, past the Cape of Good Hope and across the whole Indian ocean, a total distance by the shortest route of 8,700 miles. This recalls the similar drift of the figurehead of the ship Blue Jacket. The vessel was burned at sea near Falkland islands in the South Atlantic east of Patagonia, on March 9, 1869. The figurehead drifted ashore near Freemantle, where it was found December 8, 1871. These drifts illustrate the easterly movement of water in the Southern ocean.

Transport in France

The French government subsidizes country passport lines which chambers of commerce, governmental departments or communes decide to assist. Passenger service to get the subsidy must meet certain conditions, and merchandise service lines must carry at least three tons of merchandise at a minimum speed of six kilometers, and the passenger service of each trip must provide for at least 15 passengers and 300 kilograms of baggage at a speed not less than 15 kilometers per hour.

Oil Evaporation

To save petroleum losses on the producing property, and these are very great by evaporation, gas-tight storage tanks, says the Department of the Interior, would prove effective. It is estimated that in the mid-continent field about 6.5 per cent of the oil produced is lost by evaporation, 3.5 going on the lease and 3 per cent in transportation. The loss from well to refinery is as high as 9.3 per cent in less than ten days.

The Namesake

Lady—Never heard of the Ten Commandments, little boy! Good gracious! What is your name?

Little Boy—Moses, mum.—London Punch.

Eagle Vs. Stork

"Look, dear," said Tommy's mother, while they were at the zoo, "there's an eagle. Just think, eagles are so strong they have been known to carry off a little child."

"That's nothing!" said Tommy. "The stork sometimes carries three or four at a time."—Boston Transcript.

"Hey, there! It is forbidden to walk on the railroad tracks."

"Have a heart! We are here to escape the automobiles."

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A Hazardous Risk

Mrs. Newballot—Suppose they elect a man for president and a woman for vice president and the president should marry the vice president—

Mr. N.—I wouldn't insure his life for an hour.

A Lame Excuse

Teacher—John, why are you late to school?

John—Hurt my knee, sir, and couldn't walk fast.

Teacher—That's a lame excuse, sir, a lame excuse.

AN ADVANTAGE

Miss Lizard—Miss Chameion has the advantage of us in one respect at least.

Miss Frog—And what is that?

Miss Lizard—She can change her complexion whenever she wants.

She Knows Men

Miss Catt—Why in the name of goodness doesn't she get a husband of her own.

Miss Nipp—She's afraid he might turn out like the crowd of married men she runs around with.

NOTICE TO VOTERS

A new and complete registration of voters is required by law during the year 1924. Every person entitled thereto must register thirty days before any election at which he or she desires to vote. Registration for the purpose of voting at municipal elections for towns of the sixth class closes March 14, 1924. Registration for the purpose of voting at Presidential Primary election closes April 5, 1924. Registration for purpose of voting at August Primary election closes July 26, 1924. Registration for the purpose of voting at General election closes October 4, 1924.

You may register with the county clerk or any of his deputies.

Dated January 10, 1924.

J. H. WELLS,
County Clerk of Contra Costa County
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The following are the Registration Deputies:

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